



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg and the FBI, Lincoln Police Department and the Lancaster County Sheriff's Department announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

United States District Judge Richard G. Kopf sentenced Traves Rush to 15 months incarceration following his plea of guilty to making false statements to the court during his trial for bank robbery. Mr. Rush was previously convicted for his role in an October 6, 2008, robbery of the TierOne Bank located in the Edgewood Shopping Center in Lincoln. On May 7, 2010, while he was under oath as a witness in his bank robbery trial, Mr. Rush told the judge and jury that he could not have robbed the bank because at the time of the robbery he was with a woman looking at apartments and riding in her car with her. Mr. Rush knew this was a lie when he testified. Rush was convicted of the bank robbery and sentenced to 14 years in prison by United States Senior District Judge Warren K. Urbom. The 15 month sentence that Mr. Rush received today will run consecutively to the previously imposed 14 year sentence that Mr. Rush received in the bank robbery case. In addition, Mr. Rush will serve a 3year term of supervised release after his release from prison and pay a \$100 special assessment.

Name of Defendant: Traves Rush

AKA: N/A

Age: 28

City of residence: Omaha

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): False Declarations to the Court, maximum penalty 5 years incarceration, \$250,000.00 fine.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Lincoln, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: N/A

Alleged Dollar Loss: N/A

Others Charged in Same Scheme: None

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: May 7, 2010

Federal Arrest Date: Already in custody

Date Complaint Issued: N/A

Indictment Returned Date: September 22, 2010

Initial Appearance Date: September 29, 2010

Plea or Trial and Date(s): January 12, 2011

Sentencing Date: February 16, 2011

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: N/A

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Zwart

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Held without bond

In Continuous Custody Since: November 23, 2009

Assigned District Court Judge: Richard G. Kopf

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